

Davis County Health Department Tobacco-Free Campus Policy

1.0 PURPOSE:

Tobacco use is the leading cause of preventable death and disease in the United States and in Utah. The Environmental Protection Agency classifies secondhand tobacco smoke as a Class A carcinogen and it is a known risk factor for heart and respiratory disease.

The Davis County Health Department's mission is to promote and protect the "health, safety, and general welfare of the population" (Utah Code 26A-1-114). Prohibiting tobacco use and eliminating secondhand tobacco exposure for staff and clients on health department campuses is consistent with that mission.

2.0 DEFINITIONS:

Tobacco Products include cigarettes, cigars, pipes, smokeless tobacco, and other products containing tobacco and nicotine, including electronic cigarettes. This does not include products approved by the FDA for nicotine replacement therapy.

Health Department Campuses include the buildings and grounds at the Clearfield Health Department and Senior Service Center Complex, Tri-County Weatherization, the I&M Technical Center, the Bountiful WIC facility, and Senior Activity Centers.

3.0 POLICY:

The Davis County Board of Health prohibits the use of Tobacco Products on all Health Department Campuses.

4.0 PROCEDURES:

All Health Department Campuses shall post appropriate signage at building entrances.

5.0 ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES:

Employees, clients, or visitors may report violations of the policy to any supervisor or administrator who will inform the individual of this policy. Clients, visitors, and volunteers who refuse to comply with the policy will be asked to leave the premises.

Staff violating this policy may be subject to disciplinary action in accordance with Davis County Personnel Policies and Procedures.